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FEDERAL COMMERCATIONS COMMESSION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

BY HAND

Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, S.W. - Suite TW-A325 Washington, D.C. 20554

> Re: WT Docket No. 99-168 Written Ex Parte Presentations Service Rules for the 746-764 and 776-794 MHz Bands, And Revisions to Part 27 of the Commission's Rules

Dear Ms. Salas:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-referenced proceeding are two copies of a written ex parte presentation. This presentation was made by FreeSpace Communications to the National Coordination Committee at its November 18-19 meeting in New York City.

Sincerely,

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FreeSpace Communications

Presentation to the National Coordination Committee November 18-19, 1999

Agenda

Introduction to FreeSpace Communications

• How the FreeSpace Plan Provides Strong Protection to Public Safety Systems

 Opportunities for Public Safety Data Communications

FreeSpace Communications is an Emerging Provider of Broadband Wireless Data Services

- FreeSpace provides a competitive alternative to DSL and cable modem internet access
 - FreeSpace can achieve significant cost advantages over competing broadband technologies and pass this savings on to consumers
- FreeSpace technology delivers up to 2Mb/s to the end user
- FreeSpace's primary market is residential internet access

FreeSpace has a Highly Skilled Team of Leading Computer Scientists and RF Engineers

- Dr. Paul Michael Farmwald
 - Successful entrepreneur
 - MIPS, Rambus, Chromatic Research, Epigram (acquired by Broadcom)
 - Leading expert in CS and EE
- Professor Thomas H. Lee
 - Professor of Electrical Engineering at Stanford University
 - Preeminent in radio-frequency (RF) integrated circuit research
- Dr. Derek K. Shaeffer and Dr. Arvin R. Shahani
 - Doctorates in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University
 - Widely recognized for radio-frequency (RF) integrated circuit research

FreeSpace's Strong Team of Advisors

- Bruce Dunlevie
 - Founder and General Partner, Benchmark Capital
- Professor Donald C. Cox
 - Professor of Electrical Engineering at Stanford University
 - Widely regarded as one of the fathers of the cell phone system
- Charles Perkins
 - Research Scientist at Nokia, Inc.
 - One of the principle authors of the Mobile Internet Protocol
- Bud Taddiken
 - VPE of Microtune, Inc.
 - Responsible for Microtune's single-chip TV tuner

FreeSpace Communications' Channels 60-69 Proposal



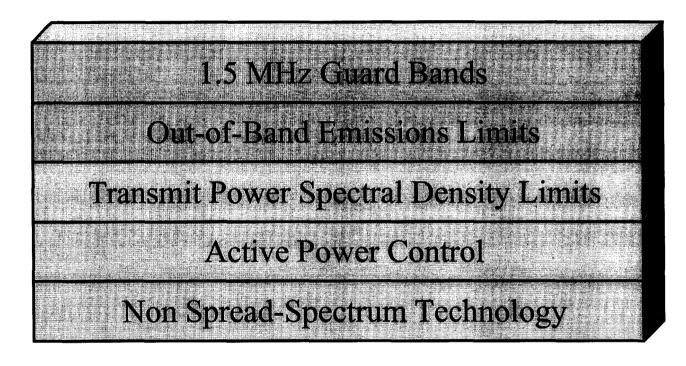
License four 1.5 MHz, paired channels with strict power spectral density limits for innovative, low power commercial uses that protect public safety bands:

- 4 mW/kHz > 4 mW/kHz
- Public Safety

License remaining 30MHz for high power mobile and fixed wireless services:

Commercial mobile & fixed wireless services

The FreeSpace Proposal Provides Multiple Levels of Interference Protection





Measures Proposed by FreeSpace and Motorola



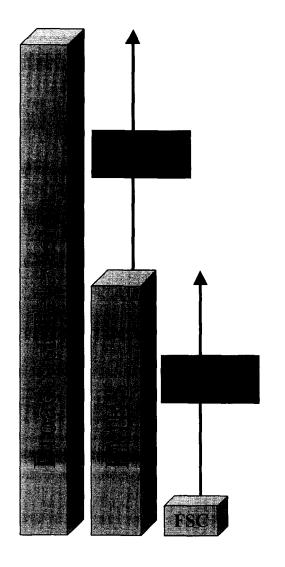
Additional Measures Proposed by FreeSpace

FreeSpace Proposes at least a 1.5MHz Guard Band from High Power Systems

 Low-power guard bands provides a buffer between public safety and high-power mobile and fixed transmissions

 Guard band spectrum is ideally suited for lowpower commercial services

Strict Power Spectral Density Limits



• Limits maximum in-band transmit power

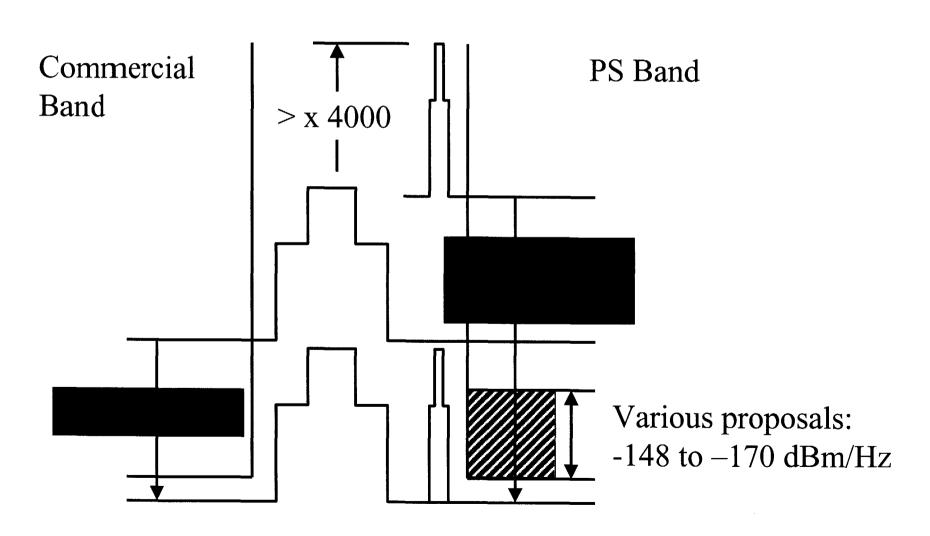
 Prevents the concentration of transmit power into narrow channel bandwidths

Encourages broadband data channels

Strong Out-of-Band Emissions Limits

- Very effective mechanism to specify suppression of signals into adjacent bands
- Equipment can be measured to guarantee that strong out-of-band emissions limits have been met
- Strict out-of-band emissions limits force manufacturers to back away from the band edge, moving them further away from public safety

Advantages of Low-Power Limits with Specific Out-of-Band Emissions Requirements



Active Power Control

- Limits the interference range of transmitting units by ensuring that minimum power is used to communicate
 - Essential to maximize the efficient use of scarce spectral resources
- Co-channel and adjacent channel interference are dramatically reduced by lowering transmit power
- Power control on *bases and mobiles* in the guard bands

Additional Measures of Protection

- Restrict the use of direct sequence spread spectrum modulation
 - Prevents aggregate interference from multiple, simultaneous transmitters
- Knowledge of base station's positions and networked equipment facilitates cooperation with public safety to address interference concerns
 - Dynamic frequency assignment allows specified channels to not be used
 - Networked equipment is controlled by FreeSpace

Public Safety and FreeSpace Technology

 FreeSpace technology is well suited for broadband data services

• FreeSpace provides a wireless extension to the Internet

• The Internet is the most generally useful data communications network in existence

FreeSpace Technology Can Potentially Meet Public Safety Requirements

- Priority Access
 - System supports priority levels for QoS
 - Can use a special priority class for public safety
- Security
 - Encryption is used on all channels
- Reliability
 - Highly redundant and flexible
- Ubiquitous Coverage
 - Guard bands serve urban and other low-power uses
 - Low band serves rural uses with much higher power

Additional Benefits

- Wireless data and voice
 - Rates of up to 2Mbps will be supported
 - Voice can be transported using voice over IP
- Event channels
 - In consumer parlance, these are called "chat groups"
 - Multicast allows dispatch communication
- Provides an "off-network" capability
 - Protocols can support peer-to-peer communications
- Economies of scale
 - Low cost infrastructure and user equipment from consumer volumes

Summary

- FreeSpace's proposed band plan provides clear and effective protection to current *and future* public safety operations
- FreeSpace can operate a low-power commercial service in guard band spectrum neighboring public safety
- FreeSpace is eager to work with public safety to ensure protection and define areas of mutual interest

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